

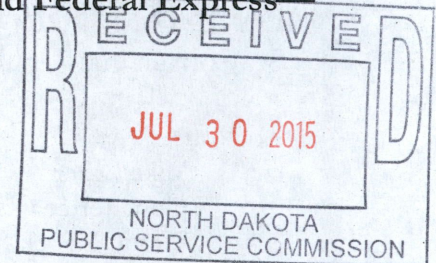


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— Via Email and Federal Express —

Mr. Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
State Capitol Building – 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505



Re: APPLICANT'S PROPOSED ORDER AND LATE FILED EXHIBITS  
REQUEST TO TRANSFER OF SITE CERTIFICATE SITING APPLICATION  
(CASE NO. PU-15-174)

APPLICATION FOR 200 MW COURTENAY WIND FARM PUBLIC  
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY (CASE NO. PU-15-175)

APPLICATION FOR ADVANCE DETERMINATION OF PRUDENCE – 200 MW  
COURTENAY WIND FARM (CASE NO. PU-15-181)

REQUEST TO DISCONTINUE PRUDENCE – COURTENAY WIND FARM PPA  
APPLICATION (CASE NO. PU-15-183)

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Northern States Power Company, doing business as Xcel Energy, submits to the North Dakota Public Service Commission in the above-referenced matters, the Company's Proposed Order and the following late filed exhibits:

*NSP-LF1 – Transmission Service Summary*

*NSP-LF2 – Conservation Plan Summary*

An original and four (4) copies of the Proposed Order and late filed exhibits are being provided via Federal Express. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing.

30 PU-15-181 Filed 07/30/2015 Pages: 3  
Late-filed Exhibit NSP-LF1  
Northern States Power Company

31 PU-15-175 Filed 07/30/2015 Pages: 3  
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "David H. Sederquist".

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Enclosures

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### **Courtenay Transmission Service**

The most recent MISO generator interconnection studies for Courtenay Wind show that the project will be granted 200 MW of Network Resource Interconnection Service (NRIS) upon the completion of all required transmission network upgrades identified in the GIA – the last of which is scheduled to go into service in 2020<sup>1</sup> NRIS, just like firm transmission service, allows the Company to obtain capacity from the Facility.

Additionally, the Company will obtain firm point-to-point transmission service from Minnkota Power Cooperative under its settlement agreement.

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<sup>1</sup> Courtenay Wind Generator Interconnection Agreement Exhibit A10 - Contingent Facilities includes Proposed MVP Portfolio 1 - N LaCrosse-N Madison-Cardinal -Spring Green - Dubuque area 345-kV (345kV sections N. LaCrosse – North Madison – Cardinal which is scheduled to go into service in December of 2020.